

System of Certification for Persons with Disabilities

	Issue (thousand)	Verification Provisions	Person responsible for issue	Grant application desk
Physical disability certificate	4, 946	Article 15 of the Act on Welfare of Physically Disabled Persons	Prefectural governors Mayors of designated cities Mayors of core cities	Directors of welfare offices that administers place of residence (or chiefs of towns and villages in the case a town or a village has no welfare office)
Medical rehabilitation handbook	757	Medical rehabilitation handbook system (Notification No.156 from Children and Families Bureau of the Ministry of Health and Welfare in 1973)	Prefectural governors Mayors of designated cities	Directors of welfare offices that administers place of residence (or chiefs of towns and villages in the case a town or a village has no welfare office)
Mental disability certificate	443 Figure represents the portion left after deducting number of expired from issued certificates by the end of fiscal year.	Article 45 of Act on Mental Health and Welfare for the Mentally Disabled	Prefectural governors Mayors of designated cities	Directors of welfare offices that administers place of residence

Source: For the number of issue, "Report on Social Welfare Administration and Services FY 2007" for those of physical disability certificate and medical rehabilitation handbook; for those of mental disability certificate, refer "Report on Public Health Administration and Services FY 2007"